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Old-Timers' Roundup Is Held

CROSSFIELD. — The spirit of the old west is far from dead in this locality judging from the enthusiasm shown at the annual event sponsored by the Crossfield Old-Timers' Association held on Wednesday last. Over 350 persons sat down to the banquet of roast turkey with all the trimmings.

The dining tables were bedecked with flowers and paper dolls representing the Old-Fashioned Lady motif and the servers were all daughters of old-timers and were dressed in old styles. The banquet, held in the basement of the new Memorial Hall, was done by the United Church Ladies' Aid and the Avanti group of young matrons.

After the supper the gathering moved upstairs to the hall proper, and there found it all beautifully decorated with spruce boughs and white streamers; tables of old-time souvenirs including breech-loading guns, a spinning wheel, ox-yoke, linen made from flax grown by ancestors of the members, hand-wrought jewelry and pottery, and a host of other historical relics, all of which had been gathered and arranged by a committee convened by Mrs. F. Laut.

President H. J. Schofield acted as chairman for a two-hour entertainment with a program which opened with "O Canada" and the address of welcome by the president then followed. The program consisted of sword dance by Evans and Gail Konschuk; reading by Mrs. Williams, song by Joanne Copely, which by special request was "The Old Spinning Wheel"; piano solo by Charlie Smith, song by the boys' quartette, dance by the Konschuk girls and a repeat reading by Mrs. Williams and another song by Joanne Copely.

Some films were shown by H. A. Bannister and during the program the audience stood in silence in commemoration of departed members.

Greeting were brought by Walter Birney from the Southern Alberta Pioneers' Association and short talks given by H. H. Mumby, principal of the Crossfield high school; Rev. C. W. Anderson, Rev. A. B. Lea and Father Teasler. The president announced that the Old-Timers' annual church service would be held in the United Church on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m., and the annual meeting of the association in the curling rink on Jan. 28 at 2:30.

With Walter Birney as official master - of - ceremonies and the Mountaineers as the orchestra, the following dance was a succession of waltzes, reels and square dances such as only a gathering of this kind could accomplish and it was 3:00 a.m. before "Home, Sweet Home" was played and sung.

Over \$700 was realized from the sale of membership and banquet tickets and everyone voted it the best gathering of its kind they had ever attended.

Wedding

HALEY-McARTHUR

The Crossfield Baptist Church was the scene of a quiet wedding on Saturday, Dec. 3 at 11 o'clock, when Dora McArthur, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gano of Madden and Stanley Haley of Cremona exchanged marriage vows which were read by Rev. W. McDonald.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a grey



A HUNGRY BOY'S DREAM—A ragged Italian wail, living in the wake of war, dreams of food. Today he'll receive a glass of Canadian milk from the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), Canada and a score of other United Nations countries are helping the sick and hungry children of Europe and the East. The postal address "UNICEF, OTTAWA" is accepting funds from Canadians to buy Canadian food for such ragged babies as these. Six million children need help.

suit with matching accessories and wore a corsage of pink carnations.

Marie Simpson of Cremona was the bridesmaid and she wore a blue dress, matching accessories and wore a corsage of pink carnations.

Merle Gano, brother of the bride, was best man.

Mrs. McDonald played the wedding music.

On Sunday evening a reception was held in the new Dog Pound hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Haley will reside at Cremona.

Wedding

A wedding of interest took place in the Westbourne Baptist Church in Calgary on Dec. 3 when Phyllis Massie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Massie of Madden became the bride of Melvin Farquharson, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Farquharson also of Madden.

Rev. J. W. MacDonald of Crossfield performed the ceremony, while Joyce Wood, cousin of the groom, played the wedding music.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, who gave her in marriage. She wore a gown of white satin and carried a bouquet of roses.

Miss Jean Massie, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, wearing a gown of pastel pink and carried a bouquet of pink Baby Mums.

The groom was attended by his brother Howard.

Mr. Ted Ealinger and Mr. Doug Havens ushered the guests. During the signing of the register Mrs. Ted Ealinger, aunt of the bride, sang "Because."

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Empress Grill for the 50 guests. The bride's table was centred with a three-tiered wedding cake.

Rev. MacDonald proposed the

Candle Lighting Service Held

CROSSFIELD. — On Sunday, Dec. 4 the Senior and Intermediate C.G.I.T. held a combined candle-lighting service in the Crossfield United church. The church was lighted with candles for the occasion.

Those taking part in the service were: Joyce Kotow, taking the leader's part; Sheila Casey, Berit Anderson and Joyce McDonald as first, second and third readers; Reita King, Joyce Jensen, Donna McNaughton and Juleanna Skochek as the candle-lighters.

The Christmas story was delivered by Miss B. Gorton of Calgary. Mrs. E. R. Banta, leader of the Intermediate C.G.I.T., played the music for the service. A friendship hour was held after the service and lunch was served by the girls.

Is Still Postmaster Of Beiseker

BEISEKER. — Mr. Lohrke has held the position of postmaster for 22 years. His friends and neighbors wish him well and hope he will be handing out our mail for many years to come.

Council Meetings

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Council will be held

in the
FIRE HALL
on the
First Monday of each Month
at 8:30 p.m.

toast to the bride and the groom suitably responded.

For her wedding trip she chose a beige gabardine suit topped with a fur coat.

After a short honeymoon at Great Falls, Montana, they will make their home in Calgary.

CROSSFIELD NEWS Regular Monthly Council Meeting

CROSSFIELD. — Mrs. Anne Neff of Calgary was a week-end visitor at her home in Crossfield.

We hear that the A.P. Grain Co. is installing a cleaner in their local elevator.

Friends of Hank McDonald are pleased to see him home from the hospital and up and around again.

Mr. Hugh Smart of Calgary was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Cameron over the week-end.

Tommy Stump is a patient in the Calgary hospital where he underwent an appendix operation.

z Friends of Mrs. W. D. McCool will feel sorry to learn that she is a patient in the Holy Cross hospital in Calgary.

Mrs. Jim Kotow is a patient in the Didsbury hospital.

Charlie Mills was renewing acquaintances in town last Sunday.

Hubert Cross is a patient in a Calgary hospital and is progressing favorably after undergoing an operation.

Harve McColl recently underwent an operation for appendicitis.

The new telephone directories have now been received and all subscribers can obtain one by calling at the office.

A very successful box social was held at the Sunshine school on Friday last. The tidy sum of \$125 was realized, this to be used to give the children a real bang-up Christmas tree. The evening was spent with games and dancing to the lilt of the Crossfield Aces.

BEISEKER NEWS

BEISEKER. — Don't anyone allow Don Smith to snare them into a contest at Ping Pong, because he has made himself a table and has been practicing continuously.

Mr. and Mrs. Ki Kellen were Standard visitors Saturday last.

Quite a number of young people attended the deans meeting of the C.Y.F. at Strathmore on Friday evening. Fr. Mulnar of Drumheller was guest speaker. After the business part of the meeting the members enjoyed a social evening.

Miss Patricia Schwartzberger has accepted a position in the Beiseker Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Den Roer of Balmertree gave a wedding dance in Rockyford on Wednesday evening in honor of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Den Roer. Quite a number from Beiseker attended.

A load of Christmas trees has arrived at Adam Velker's shop.

Mr. Tidy was in Drumheller hospital for a check-up. From now on it's milk and water for Bill Tidy.

Ronnie Beiseker was visiting at the home of his parents for the week-end.

The show "The Babe Ruth Story" was very well received. A large crowd turned out to see it both nights.

The regular meeting of the Rainbow Rebecca Lodge was held on Tuesday, Nov. 22.

On Monday, Nov. 28, the Columbus club held its regular meeting in the meeting room of the Beiseker and District Memorial hall.

A sum of \$96.24 was realized from the sale of poppies in Beiseker district this year. This was considerably above last year's figure.

Do your Christmas shopping early.

CROSSFIELD.—At the regular monthly meeting of the village council held on Monday evening, permission was granted to the hockey team for the use of the skating rink on two evenings each week for scheduled games and for practice to be held from 9:00 to 10:00 p.m.

The council agreed to the purchase of four signs warning trucks of over-one-ton capacity, that they must not park on Railway street. Council also agreed that with the next regular meeting date falling on a holiday, the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

The secretary reported that the fire wagon had been overhauled and a few repairs done on it. He was also instructed to use whatever powers available to collect all arrears of taxes before the end of the year.

Municipal Seed Fair

CROSSFIELD. — The Agricultural Service Board sponsored an unusual kind of Seed Fair. It was held in the local Lions hall, Didsbury, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 1949.

Seventy-five samples of seed were taken from seed drills last spring, by the fire department and the D.A. These were analyzed by the Line Elevator Farm Service.

The better samples will appear under the farmer's name, the poorer ones under numbers.

Seventy-two per cent were graded "first".

It should be interesting to come and see what kind of seed is being sown in this municipality.

Films will be shown.

A. M. Wilson, field crops commissioner, was the speaker.

Delightful Shower

CROSSFIELD. — A delightful shower was held at the home of Mrs. Earl Devins on Monday, Dec. 5 in honor of Mrs. Frank Hayes of Okotoks, who has married the grandson of Frank Mason, late post master of Crossfield.

The bride received a large number of useful gifts from the 20 friends present. They are making their home in Montgomery, near Calgary, and hope to take up residence after the 15th of this month.

F.W.U.A. Meeting To Be Held Dec. 14

CROSSFIELD. The next meeting of the F.W.U.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. J. Konschuk on Dec. 14 at 2 o'clock. The delegates' report will be given.

Every member remember to bring Christmas gifts for the Auditor family.

The first party of "500" Club was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Farrel with nine tables of cards played. Prizes were won by Mrs. C. Aldred and Winifred Bailey, consolations by Mrs. K. Pearce and Mrs. Woods and on cutting the cards Mrs. Pearce won the draw. Ernie Farrel won the men's consolation. A delightful lunch was served by the ladies of the group.

ROCKYFORD NEWS

ROCKYFORD. — Mr. and Mrs. L. Deltrich left Sunday for California to visit Mrs. Deltrich's father, Mr. H. E. Molson, who is ill.

Mr. Bill Knight is driving an Oldsmobile these days.

White Whale Grunts Wake Sleeping "Bird"

(This is the third in a series on the Northland written especially for Community Publications.)

By JACK BIRD

Two whales had been made fast to a cable and were being hauled tail first up a steep wooden ramp to a wide door in the second story of the factory.

"Come inside," invited the manager, "and watch the whole process of cutting up the whale."

"Every part of the creature is utilized," he explained as we climbed the stairs to the second floor and stood by the flensing platform. Here stood a man in rubber boots and apron, armed with a pitchfork-size handle that had a sharp halfmoon-shaped blade at the end.

With this instrument he cut under the blubber and loosened it, while a rope that was hooked to the blubber near the shoulder, and

made fast to the drum of a winch, slowly peeled off the whole length of the whale.

It took two or three strips like this to completely denude the whale of all its blubber, which was cut up in chunks, while another man, armed with an iron hook, would throw the stuff down a manhole in the blood-stained floor. The hole led to a big vat in which the blubber was rendered down to whale oil.

"But what do you do with the rest of the creature?" I wanted to know.

"We grind it up, as you'll see in a minute, and it becomes food for the fox and mink farms. 'Moby Dick' fox and mink food we call it."

The chocolate colored liver, I noticed, did not go through the grinders, but was put whole in separate cartons. This, I was told, was the fur farm food for the mother during the breeding season.

When we left the factory, Old Jim and I returned to the beach, and I pointed out to him the place where I had, three years before, made my first camp on the shores of the Churchill river.

I told him about being awakened early the first morning by a series of deep-throated sighs and grunts, and had sat up in my sleeping bag to look out over the river at 12 or 15 white whales disporting themselves.

Because they must come to the surface to breathe they were the author of the sounds that had awakened me. All you see is a rounded chunk of white head two or three feet long bob up and then go down and reappear somewhere else, with sometimes spray flying.

There are two Churchill rivers. The Little Churchill flows into the big Churchill, and the big flows into Hudson Bay. That makes the big Churchill, at its estuary, a tidal river. They have 12- to 14-foot tides there.

At Cape Merry, where the river and the ocean meet, the river is about a mile wide, while in front of the elevator it appears to be some two miles in width, and when the tide goes out it is possible, a mile and a half from the mouth, to walk out nearly a quarter of a mile toward the centre of the river on a bottom of clean hard and boulders, although half a mile or so farther south, the sand, as I found to me cost, is only a thin coating on a soft mud bottom.

But it is when the tide is out that the Indians set their fishing gear in a manner that is simplicity itself. They lay the net flat on the river floor with one end made fast to a rope to the shore. When the tide comes in it lifts the net by means of the wooden floats along its stop edge. Then when the tide goes out again the net automatically lays on the river bed and the owner collects his catch.

Old Jim and I walked down to the big modern dock that is in front of, and part of, the elevator. The schooner Fort Severn, and the Regina Polar of Quebec were tied up.

We sat there on the stringer piece, and in the cool of the evening enjoyed the long, lingering sunset while we talked about some of the things we had seen and learned, and places we had visited in the north country.

I told Jim about my first visit to Churchill, which was in 1946, when ships from Britain were there loading grain that had been stored in the elevator since before the war. Two of the ships, I remembered, were the Essex Trader and the Hillcrest Park. The black-hulled Hudson Bay boat Nascopie had also been there, tied up to the south end of the wharf.

The following year, while I was up in Alaska, the Nascopie had gone down. She was a staunch little ship, launched in 1912, and had done her bit in two wars. In the First World War she had sunk a German submarine in the White Sea, and now, two years ago, after 35 years of faithful service, she, too, had gone down.

N.Z. Tobacco

The New Zealand Tobacco Board has been negotiating with the Government for the diversion of the Motueka River in order to bring a further one thousand acres of land under cultivation for tobacco. It is estimated the project would cost about £100 thousand—£75 thousand to be paid by the Government and £25 thousand by the Tobacco Board.

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English Nobility Easy Persons To Interview

By JAY LLOYD

Members of the English nobility were among the easiest persons to interview, particularly if they were above the rank of viscount, or came from an old established noble line.

I recall one duke conversing learnedly about world affairs while he threw clothes into a suitcase in about as feeble an attempt at neat packing as I am capable of in my most hurried moments. Another who asked me if I were going downstairs after I had finished the interview and requested permission to accompany me. Indeed, they are a democratic crowd. A number of them invited me to visit them if I ever came to England. I've often wondered what my reception would have been had I done so.

I have also often wondered what happened to many of them during the war, as well as such persons as Lieut.-Gen. Mitchell, who shocked a United Services Institute with his opinion that generals were just as expendable as the common soldier and his low opinion of army practice generally.

Then there was the Dutch cabinet minister who told me it was impossible for Holland to be invaded the day before invasion occurred. When the news was broken to him just as he was boarding a train, he fainted and had to be carried back to the hotel.

What is happening to those many prominent Japanese these days? Particularly the Tokogawa family, the real rulers of Japan for centuries, and who were so friendly to Canada?

What has happened to the German and Italian consuls, both of whom I saw after we were officially enemies, and both of whom discussed impassionately the probable outcome of the war?

This could go on endlessly. But on thinking back, I wonder if Sir Gerald Campbell still remembers his embarrassment when Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh visited him and he didn't know whether he was supposed to look disapproving in his official position as British high commissioner or greet them as friends until Olivier revealed they were on their honeymoon?

Then there was the movie starlet who regularly wrote me from Hollywood, even for a time after she got married. I really thought it was friendship until the husband wrote thanking me charmingly, for all the publicity I had given her. The correspondence ended abruptly.

Churchill was the second British prime minister who said goodbye to me by mistake when he was leaving Ottawa because I was talking to a Canadian cabinet minister at the time. Stanley

Baldwin did the same thing. Neither would remember—but I do.

Has Happy Chandler forgotten that he promised to make me an honorary Kentucky colonel, Oh, well, I might as well be unusual.

When I met the governor of North Carolina I could not even mention the famous story about the governor of South Carolina, as it was not only during prohibition days in the U.S.A. but he was a rabid temperance advocate.

During the depression nearly everyone wanted to see their own particular economic theories. About the only persons as a class who didn't have some particular efficacious theory to contribute to human betterment were the economists.

If Sir Maynard Keynes (later Lord Keynes), Lord Macmillan, Sir Arthur Salter, etc., made any startling pronouncements in favor of economic panaceas, I can't recall them. Lord Darling, I remember, was enthusiastic about re-monetization of silver, but he may be excused on the grounds that he was a banker.

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TENTH PROVINCE PROVIDES ARMY UNIT



—Central Press Canadian

Three army units have been established in Newfoundland, authorities have announced. The 168th (Newfoundland) Field Artillery Regiment, which fought with the 1st British Army in North Africa and later with the 8th British Army in Italy is one of the units to join Canada's reserve forces. In this photo a gun crew of the regiment is shown in action in Italy where they fought alongside members of the 1st and 5th Canadian divisions.

TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS

By RUTH WHALEY
District Home Economist

Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without toys for the kiddies. Still, every year, there are hundreds of dollars spent on toys which the children use for only a week or two before they are broken.

Buying making toys throughout the year, instead of during the Christmas rush, makes it easier to make a wise choice. Look for well-made toys which really work and will stand hard usage. Experiment with the toys yourself. Do they work easily? Do pegs fit in holes? Get washable things with no sharp points, poisonous paint nor buttons that pull off.

It is not always the most expensive toys that children enjoy the most. Bright scraps of firmly woven print make jolly stuffed toys. Starch and iron the ma-

terial for a crisp, perky calico cat or pup.

A doll's cradle to delight your young daughter can be created from a grape basket. Mount the basket on rockers, paint it a bright color, sew in a padded lining and your little girl will spend many happy hours rocking her doll to sleep.

What child doesn't love to play with blocks and plywood animals? Make them yourself, sand them smooth, then paint them in gay colors.

Cheap "toy" tools, such as hammers, scissors and garden tools are likely to be badly balanced, dull and easily broken. It may be better to buy a small size of well-made adult tools which work, and then teach the child how to use them properly.

Every young artist wants a box of crayons. Remember large crayons are easier for young children to handle. Crayons with too much wax produce a weak color, and soften quickly in a child's warm hands. Try painting the paper casing with a coat of shellac to stiffen them. This helps to prevent them from breaking. Keep cold cream jars on hand in which the young painter can mix his paints easily.

If your six-year-old is just learning to catch, get him a ball about six inches in diameter with a rough surface. It will be easiest for him with which to practice.

Choose toys carefully. You will enjoy them as much as the child.

U.K. Calf Subsidy

It is reported officially that the calf rearing subsidy will be extended in the United Kingdom to cover calves born up to September, 1951. The subsidy will be at the rate of £5 a head for males and £2 for females born after October 1, 1949 and before October 1, 1950. The calves must be certified as suitable for beef production or as dairy replacements, but if the plant is well potted is to pull a leaf from it. If the plant is not dislodged under this treatment you can be satisfied that the planting has been done correctly.

Old pots should be thoroughly cleaned before using. New pots should be soaked and allowed to absorb all the moisture they will, but let them dry to some extent before the actual planting operation. A saucer should be provided for each pot, and if the wicker contains small pebbles, coarse sand or sphagnum moss, the excess moisture will seep from the pot instead of lying about the

Importance Of Winter Lubrication

C. A. Cheahre, Extension Agricultural Engineer, Alberta Department of Agriculture, reminds us that the first requirement of engine lubrication in winter is oil light enough to flow at very low temperatures.

At the same time, the oil must have sufficient body, even at the high temperature found in a warm engine, to prevent it "breaking down." If the oil is too heavy it will not be forced through the channels during the warm-up period, and the engine, starving for lubrication, will wear readily. If the oil has not sufficient body at the higher temperatures, the oil film will not hold bearing surfaces apart, and again rapid wear will result.

Another problem of winter lubrication is the sludge formation. This results from moisture condensation in the oil and is generally caused by "blow-by" during warm-up—a condition brought about by the breaking of the oil seal between the cylinder and piston, allowing a portion of the exhaust gases to enter the crank case. This sludge, under extreme conditions, may make up a large portion of the oil in the crank case, and hamper lubrication. It will be most noticeable in a motor that is started often, and run for only a short time at each starting. Under these conditions, it is wise to drain the crank case every two weeks, regardless of mileage. It is not necessary to throw this oil away—just let it settle, and syphon off the clear portion to be used again.

A point worth remembering is that the cylinder oil should always be drained when the engine is warm—otherwise all the sludge will not be removed.

Top lubrication assists during the winter warm-up periods. A pint of light oil is added to every 5 gallons of gasoline, and mixed well. This does not hinder starting but it does reduce wear.

Never idle a cold engine. If you do, both wear and sludge formation will be increased. Cover the radiator and close hood covers to reduce the warm-up time. Replace the oil filter cartridge at each oil drain, and clean crank case breather inlet and outlet periodically.

Taking Care Of House Plants

Most people know that plants should not be crowded into pots too small for them, but neither should small plants be placed in too large pots. P. D. McCalla, Supervisor of Horticulture, Alberta Department of Agriculture, says that a much better root system will be developed if you suit the pot to the size of the plant.

When potting, leave one-half inch of space between the top of the soil and the rim of the pot for watering, and when planting be sure to press the soil firmly with the fingers. A test recommended by Mr. McCalla is find out if the plant is well potted is to pull a leaf from it. If the plant is not dislodged under this treatment you can be satisfied that the planting has been done correctly. Old pots should be thoroughly cleaned before using. New pots should be soaked and allowed to absorb all the moisture they will, but let them dry to some extent before the actual planting operation. A saucer should be provided for each pot, and if the wicker contains small pebbles, coarse sand or sphagnum moss, the excess moisture will seep from the pot instead of lying about the

roots of the plant. As the water evaporates, it helps to create the moist atmosphere that most plants need. A good soil for potted plants can be made up of half good garden loam, quarter well rotted leaf mold or fine humus, and quarter sand.

House plants may be kept blooming for weeks if faded flowers, seed pods and dead leaves are removed, and the plants are not placed in too sunny a position. All indoor plants require additional food during their active growing and flowering season. At three or four week intervals they should receive liquid food which can be made from a commercial fertilizer purchased in dry form and made up according to directions.

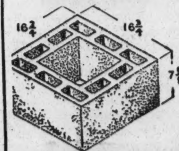
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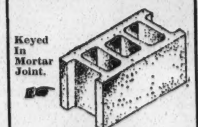
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Gargantua, by the way, was the famed gorilla of Ringling Bros. circus, and Tony said he has written John North Ringling offering to move into the side show cage vacated by the ape.

Pounding his hairy chest, the beer training pugilist, turned growler, said he was doing it for the kiddies and insisted that the gorilla had nothing on him.

"I like the circus and don't want to see the kids let down, see," he said.

Tony now weighs 265 pounds. Not so long ago his offer to wrestle the famed gorilla was turned down by the circus owners. Several months ago Tony wrestled an octopus in Seattle and three days later it died.

Tony's manager, Willie (the beard) Gilzenberg, said he liked the circus idea and added "there isn't a human that fits into the gorilla spot better than Tony."

Art Ross, Boston Bruins mentor, was presented with a scroll at Boston's Statler Hotel, stating that he is a member of Hockey's Hall of Fame.

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Sport Shorts

By L. H. J.

Apparently not wishing the coaches and scribes to hog the All-America selection picture, the Police Gazette has made its own nominations.

It agrees with the coaches on Hart, Nomellini, Franz, Tonne-maker, Wistert, Doak Walker and Charlie Justice. But it comes up with some ideas of its own. Guard Joe Dronenovich of Penn State, End Dan Foldberg of Army, Backs Alex Murakowski, Northwestern, and Jack Cloud, W & M.

Just in case someone is remotely interested, there is a Little All-American selection as well. Here they are: Eddie LeBaron, College of the Pacific; Brad Rowland, McMurray College; William Young, Hillsdale College; Conrad Callahan, Morning-side College; Elbert Hammett, Wolford College; Herbert McKinney, Missouri Valley; Claude Radtke, Appleton; Charles Williams, Sam Houston State; Vin-

cent Saratore, Chattanooga; Art Byrd, Western Carolina Teachers; Robert Numbers, Lehigh.

Cleveland Indians may be missing two of their top stars, and chief crowd-pleasers, for next season. Joe Gordon wants to quit and play in the Pacific Coast League, while Satchel Paige is a doubtful starter.

This all-star business has spread even to Edmonton high school selections. South Side's Strathcona dominates the team selected for The Bulletin by a board of football coaches. The team follows:

Quarterback: Sid Bercof, Garneau-University.

LeBaron has placed on the Little-American for the third time, the only player in history to be so honored on the minor college all-star eleven.

P.G.A. has turned down a proposal that a pro become eligible for membership after two years as a recognized tournament player. At present five years are required.

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Three-fourths of Loot Recovered

Three-quarters of the \$3,900 loot obtained from Carleton's Jewelry store, 10660 Whyte Avenue, was recovered by Police, Chief Reg-Jennings told The Sun.

Three young transients pleaded guilty to the theft in police court Saturday. The break-in occurred November 17th last.

They were brought back from Timmins, Ont., where they were arrested. Apparently they disposed of the remainder of their haul en route.

Three years in the penitentiary was meted out by Magistrate A. I. Millar to Harold Chappell, 20, who had a record for shop-breaking.

and theft extending back to 1942. Allen McMillan, 24, who gave his home as New Westminster, B. C., and Steve Konopelay, 18, of Brockville, Ont., will be sentenced next Saturday.



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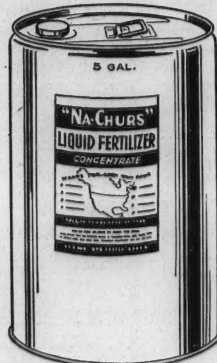
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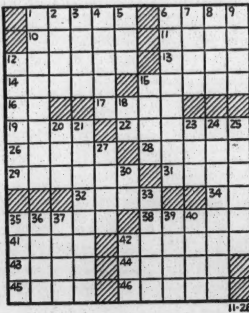
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31. More
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41. Humbleness
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2. A partle
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5. Cut, as whiskers
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11. Around
12. Walk back and forth
13. The climbing fish
14. God of love
15. Opposed to credit
16. Lairs
17. Rub out
18. DOWN
19. Of a parent



How Did Your Town Get Its Place Name?

How did—and do—localities in Alberta get their names?

Well, in the past they came from many sources, but today the responsibility of choice rests largely with the Geographic Board of Alberta.

The chief function of the board, established Feb. 6, 1946, is to deal with all questions relating to geographical names within the province.

Work includes such things as the simplification of names, choosing between various spellings of the same name and selecting new names. In addition, it is the board's object to compile the most extensive and accurate body of information possible on the place names of Alberta. The latter consists chiefly of obtaining and recording information on places already named and adding to this details concerning newly-named places.

Members of the board are: Morden H. Long, M.A., professor of history, University of Alberta; Duncan R. Innes, M.A.; John H. Holloway, director of surveys, Department of Public Works; and Mrs. Edith H. Gostick, provincial librarian. Prof. Long, chairman of the board, also is a member of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. Mrs. Gostick is secretary of the board.

It would appear from this that the work of the board should be a fairly routine, or cut-and-dried, job. This is not the case. In the past a number of agencies have

been active in determining place names within the province. Among these are the Canadian Board on Geographical Names, Post Office Department, railway and other companies, irrigation districts and even private individuals. Consequently a lack of co-ordination has led to a great deal of confusion which the board must do what it can to amend and, in future, prevent.

Close liaison with these other agencies, particularly the Geographic Board of Canada, is essential and although the Alberta board has been in existence only a short time its members have been impressed with the present high degree of co-operation. It is hoped that as time passes, any obstacles which at present arise to hinder co-operation will be eliminated.

Just how the name of a long-established town in northern Alberta should or should not be spelled presented the board with what was probably its most controversial issue. Athabasca to the town council and the Government of Alberta was "Athabaska" to the Canadian Board on Geographical Names and the Northern Alberta Railway Company. Reasoning that the "k" spelling conformed with the general rules for orthography, the dominion body spelling it that way and the railway company backed them up. Recently full agreement was obtained from all concerned and the accepted official spelling now is Athabasca.

Alberta's history falls into five categories, the time of the explorers, the days of the whiskey traders, the golden age of the cattle barons, the era of farm development and the present period of wide industrial expansion. To each of these periods the province is indebted for a vast number of place names.

From the days of the intrepid explorers come such names as Palliser Range, Mount Braxas and Mount Hector. To the early fur traders goes credit for Rocky Mountain House, Jasper and Edmonton. The memory of ranching days is preserved by Staveland, Cochrane, De Winton and Stim-

Hatchability of Eggs Averaging 70 Per Cent

Hatchability of total eggs set in approved hatcheries has averaged in the vicinity of 70 per cent in recent years.

As a breed, Barred Plymouth Rock are usually about average in respect to hatchability when compared with other breeds. Nutrition, incubation and methods of handling and storing the eggs all affect the percentage of fertile eggs which will hatch, and all are largely under the control of the flock owner and hatchery operator. The presence of lethal hereditary factors in some birds may be another cause of the failure of some eggs to hatch.

son, Acheson, Hanna, Kirkpatrick and Mannville commemorate railway officials of the turn of the century when agriculture, largely through the expanding services of the rail lines, was becoming well-established. The present era of industrial expansion also is leaving its mark on the place names of Alberta. Devon, the town that oil built, is probably the best example to date. Where, early in 1947 nothing but rolling fields met the eye, there now stands an ultra-modern town the building of which is an assertion of faith in Alberta as an industrial locale; particularly insofar as petroleum production is concerned.

A number of Alberta centres bear the names of former prominent citizens and even today we find new places being named after leading provincial figures. For instance Manning post office in northern Alberta was named after the Hon. E. C. Manning, premier of Alberta.

Many Albertans have commented on the fact that there is a definite paucity of Indian names in the province. This is true and the shortage has been attributed to the comparatively late period at which the Indians, particularly the Stonies, Crees and Blackfeet, pushed their way into the foothill country. These tribes were essentially prairie people and only retreated to the mountainous country as the advance of the white men made their customary way of living incompatible.

What Indian names the province does bear have in most cases been preserved in translation. Whether in the original tongue or in translation, however, they are found to refer to physical characteristics of the features named, to incidents of peace and war or to personal associations with a region. Athabasca is Cre for "the place of reeds" and Etzikom is Blackfoot for "valley." Battle River and Peace River mark localities where battles were fought and peace was made. B. avr Hills and Buffalo Lake commemorate where these animals were hunted and trapped.

We owe the principal Indian names to the early explorers. The Palliser, and later expeditions, preserved many that might otherwise have been forgotten.

Alberta has thousands of place names acquired during the past 200 years and at present many more places are being named each year. Today, places are being named after war heroes and other prominent figures. In most instances the Geographic Board of Alberta has jurisdiction over the naming of these places and it is likely that closer liaison with the Canadian Board on Geographical Names and the Post Office Department will, in future, prevent any discord such as arose when Castle Mountain was renamed Mount Eisenhower, without consulting the Alberta Board.

It is apparent that per cent fertility plays an important part in the percentage of total eggs which will hatch. About 90 per cent or more of all matching eggs produced are expected to be fertile, but low fertility in some flocks is a serious economic problem.

In searching for the cause of low fertility, nutrition of the flock during growth as well as at maturity should be examined to see if it is satisfactory for the development of vigorous birds. Good range conditions and proper housing facilities in the breeding pens are also conducive to high fertility.

At the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, N.B., says Leonard Griesbach, fertility tests indicate that extremely early maturing males are likely to be small and should therefore be discarded. Only vigorous males which show good development and other well developed male characteristics when not more than six months of age, should be selected.

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Alberta Farm Business Survey

Information of value to the continuing development of agriculture on the prairies is contained in a survey of farm business in Central Alberta recently published by the Economics Division, Marketing Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture, in co-operation with the Department of Political Economy, University of Alberta.

The survey, covering the fiscal year 1943-44, embraced a total of

318 farms in three districts in Central Alberta—Innisfail in the black soil zone, Drumheller and Gadsby in the dark brown soil zone.

Begun in June, 1944, the survey was part of larger enquiry into the economic and social problems associated with the utilization of the land in the Prairie Provinces which was initiated in 1933 with the passing of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act.

The western boundary of the region defined as the drought area for the operation of the PFRA Act cuts through Central Alberta. To gain comparative pictures of conditions affecting farm income within and without the drought area, the districts chosen for the survey were located on that western boundary, two within and one outside.

In the Innisfail district—the one outside—three-fifths of the farms were of the livestock type. In Drumheller more than three-fifths of the farms were grain type farms. In Gadsby about three-fifths were mixed grain and livestock, and one-fifth were grain, one-fifth were livestock types.

In size, the farms studied averaged 348 acres in Innisfail, with 64 per cent improved; 685 acres in Drumheller, 76 per cent improved; 598 acres in Gadsby, 56 per cent improved. The average value per improved acre was, respectively: \$41, \$36, \$19.

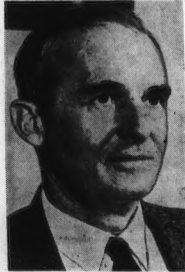
Average capital of the 318 farms worked out to more than \$18,000, made up of \$11,000 in real estate, \$3,000 in machinery and equipment, \$2,300 in livestock, and the balance in seed, feed and other farm supplies. Grain farms carried the highest average investment, nearly \$24,000.

The livestock type of farming in the Innisfail district, mainly hogs and dairying, was considered as semi-intensive when compared with the more extensive type of enterprise in the Gadsby district where beef cattle raising was more common. Hogs were the main class of livestock on the Drumheller mixed type farms, and during the year of the survey were common to the grain farms as well. Wheat occupied the largest acreage on the grain farms, oats on the mixed and livestock farms.

Averaged for all types studied, gross receipts from livestock and livestock products were about the same as from direct sales of grain. Labor earnings were nearly \$1,100 per farm.

During the year of the survey, crop yields were only two-thirds of

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normal in the Innisfail district, approximately normal in Drumheller and considerably above normal in the Gadsby district.

As a result, the surplus earning above operating, capital maintenance and family cash living expenses averaged less for Innisfail farms than for farms in the other two districts. Only for the Innisfail livestock farms was the average surplus greater than that of the Gadsby farms. Drumheller grain farms had the largest surplus.

But the economists concluded that with the same farm organization as operated in 1943-44, based on long-time average yields, prices and costs, as large surplus earnings could be expected from a half-section farm in Innisfail as from a whole section farm in Gadsby. On average-sized farms, surplus earnings from Drumheller farms could be expected to range the highest.

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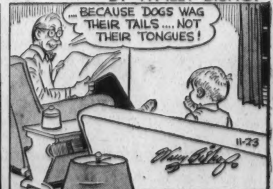
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By working with others, by gaining experience in the art of self expression, by learning parliamentary procedure, by holding office and serving on committees, club members are developing initiative, tolerance and understanding. These are experiences which prepare young people for greater service to the community.

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The 38-year-old farmer was charged with having possession of two sets of heavy draught harness 10 months after they were missing from the barn of Onfray Kotylak, Waskatenau district farmer.

He was defended by Horace G. Johnson, who pleaded lency on behalf of the prisoner's five children and a wife in indifferent health. A severe sentence would impose a hardship on the family, Mr. Johnson said.

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